

Medical Assistants (31-9092)

Occupation description: Perform administrative and certain clinical duties under the direction of a physician. Administrative duties may include scheduling appointments, maintaining medical records, billing, and coding information for insurance purposes. Clinical duties may include taking and recording vital signs and medical histories, preparing patients for examination, drawing blood, and administering medications as directed by physician. Excludes Physician Assistants (29-1071).

Employment and Job Openings

	Average employment			Average annual openings		
	2014 estimate	2024 projection	Percent change	Growth	Replacement	Total
Alaska	1,285	1,535	19.5	25	29	54
United States	591,300	730,200	23.5	13,890	12,330	26,210

Job outlook

Alaska: Alaska's employment growth is strong with very high employment opportunities. [Read more.](#)

2016 Wages ?

	Mean Wage	Wage by Percentile				
	Mean	10th	25th	Median	75th	90th
United States	15.79	10.99	12.91	15.17	18.16	21.78
Alaska	19.88	14.09	16.65	19.38	23.04	26.49
Anchorage/Mat-Su Area	18.86	11.47	16.16	18.74	22.31	25.17
Fairbanks North Star Borough	20.76	16.43	18.55	20.84	23.07	25.24
Southeast Region	19.95	14.70	16.81	20.14	22.84	24.48
Balance of State	21.90	15.74	17.45	20.77	24.60	28.83

Labor Force Indicators

2015 Worker Characteristics

Total workers	Nonresident workers	Percent nonresident	Percent age 45 plus	Percent age 50 plus
1,738	168	9.7	17.5	11.3

2015 Potential Supply

Qualified but working in another occupation	317
Currently employed in a lower paid occupation	65
UI claimants previously working in occupation	155

2015 ALEXsys Employment Data

Number of registrants	1,033
Number of job position postings	218

Typical Entry-level Education, Experience, and/or On-the-job Training

Education: Postsecondary non-degree award

Work experience: None

On-the-job training: None

Training Resources

Degree

ABC of Alaska (Anchorage)

Bloodborne Pathogens

Degree

Alaska Career College (Anchorage)

Insurance Coding and Billing

Certificate

Medical Assistant

Certificate

Degree

Alaska Med Code (Anchorage)

Professional Medical Coder, Anchorage

Professional Medical Coder, MatSu Valley

Degree

Amundsen Educational Center (Soldotna)

Professional Medical Coding

Degree

AVTEC (Seward)

Business & Office Technology Medical Administrative Assistant

Degree

Beacon Occupational Health and Safety Services (Anchorage)

Bloodborne Pathogens

Degree

Charter College, Anchorage (Anchorage)

Medical Assistant

Certificate

Medical Office Administration: Concentration in Medical Assistant

Certificate

Degree

Charter College, Wasilla (Wasilla)

Medical Assistant

Certificate

	Degree
Galena Interior Learning Academy (Galena)	
Health Science	
	Degree
Iisagvik College (Barrow)	
Medical Coding Specialist	Certificate
Medical Office Administration	AAS
Medical Office Administration I	Certificate
Medical Office Administration II	Certificate
	Degree
Multimed (Anchorage)	
American Safety & Health Institute (ASHI) Blood Borne Pathogens	
	Degree
North Star Computing (Fairbanks)	
Medical Office Practice	
Step-by-Step Medical Coding	
	Degree
Partners for Progress in Delta, Inc (Delta Junction)	
Medical Terminology	
	Degree
TSS - The Safety Specialists (Ketchikan)	
Bloodborne Pathogens	
	Degree
University of Alaska Anchorage (Anchorage)	
Medical Assisting	AAS
Medical Office Coding	OEC
	Degree
University of Alaska Anchorage, Kenai (Soldotna)	
Paramedical Tech	AAS
	Degree
University of Alaska Anchorage, Mat-Su (Palmer)	
Paramedical Tech	AAS

	Degree
University of Alaska Fairbanks, CTC (Fairbanks)	
Health Care Reimbursement	CT2
Medical Assistant	AAS
Medical Assistant	CT2
Medical Coding	OEC
Medical Office Reception	OEC
Medical/Dental Reception	CT2

	Degree
Vocational Training and Resource Center (Juneau)	
Medical Administrative Assistant	
Medical Coding and Billing	

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